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### **Basics of the Joint DoD/DOE Munitions Program**

- The JMP was established by an MOU between DOE and DoD in 1985.
- Level of effort, long-term research program to address areas of mutual interest. (Particularly, non-nuclear technology)
- The JMP is one of three related programs administered by Jose Gonzalez in the Land Warfare and Munitions Office, AT&L. The other two programs are the Joint Fuze and Joint Insensitive Munitions Technology Programs.
- Oversight is provided by a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) that is comprised of DoD Laboratory Directors, PMs, PEOs, and senior staff.
- In FY13, the JMP is a \$40M program shared equally between Los Alamos, Lawrence Livermore and Sandia National Laboratories.
- Each DOE/NNSA weapons laboratory is responsible for identifying the appropriate local matching funds according to their individual needs and mission space.







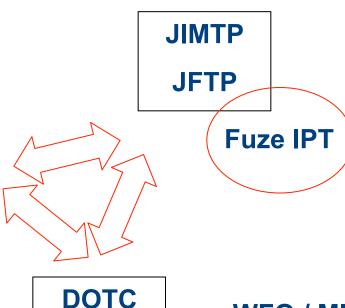


### **Joint DoD/DOE Munitions Program**

#### JMP topics fall under the following broad headings;

- Modeling & Simulation (M&S)
- Energetic Materials (EM)
- Initiation, Fuzing & Sensors (IFS)
- Warheads & Penetrators (W&P)
- Munitions Lifecycle (ML)

TATB
Interaction Detonator
Fuzable plugs











# Details of the Joint DoD/DOE Munitions Program

#### JMP topics fall under the following broad headings;

Technical Coordination Groups (TCG) Modeling & Simulation (M&S) TCG I - Computational Mechanics and Material **Energetic Materials (EM)** TCG II - Lethality Enhancement and Effectiveness TCG III - Energetic Materials Warheads & Penetrators (W&P) TCG IV - Warhead and Integration Technology Initiation, Fuzing & Sensors (IFS) TCG IX- Munitions Life Cycle TCG V - Power Systems Technology Munitions Lifecycle (ML) TCG X - Firing Systems TCG XI - Penetration Technology Identified core competencies TCG XII – Composites (ended) TCG XIII - Sensors "Play to your strengths" TCG XIV - Predictive Materials Aging and Reliability







# Return on Investment

~\$20M DoD 'funds in' under the JMP ( ~\$6.7M per laboratory)

Very strong leveraging of DoD needs against NNSA needs, requirements and 'desirements'

Practicing *real* scope match

Historic perspective: LLNL and SNL put forth numerical tools (ASC)

- LANL is responsible for developing the ideas (models, methods, data)...

Where does the NNSA match at Los Alamos come from?

**Science Campaigns (C1-C4)** 

**Engineering Campaigns (C5-C8)** 

**Advanced Certification (ACC)** 

**Advanced Simulation and Computing (ASC)** 





### JMP Program at LANL: Recent Highlights

#### K26 EFP Report – LANL / ARDEC / AFRL Eglin / Dyna East

#### Proliferation of advanced diagnostics across JMP community

- PDV, PIV, High-speed Schlieren, CW x-ray imaging

#### Characterization capability for warhead and structural materials

- Rate and temperature dependent models
- Proliferation of test capability within the complex

#### **Detonator design issues – deeper understanding of processes**

#### **Next generation numerical tools**

- Material Particle Method (MPM) overlaying an Eulerian grid
- 'Stable' methods to simulate localization and failure





### Integrated experimental and numerical effort

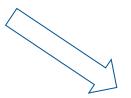
TCG-I

TCG-IV

Strength & Failure Models

Material characterization

Novel failure diagnostics



TCG-III

**Chemical Kinetics Models** 

**Material Synthesis** 

Novel failure diagnostics

Updated, High-speed diagnostics

**Numerical Methods** 

&

**Tools** 



TCG-X

Photon-driven ignition techniques – DOI – Light Activated





# Integrated surveillance and analysis effort

**TCG-XIV** 

System Assessment – resource planning

Prognostics & Health Management

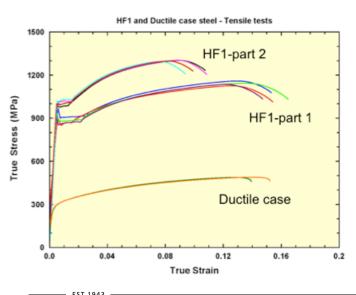
Statistical Methods & Predictive Tools





### **Material Characterization Efforts under JMP**





- HF-1 steel

- AISI 4140, 4340

Lead & Solders

- Zr, U, Hf, Re

Teflon

Polyethylene

Foams & adhesives

- PBXN-9

- AFX 757

-HPP ( AP/AI/HTPB)

variety of binders

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**Temperature** 

**Strain-rate** 

Phase

**Complex material** 

Single phase

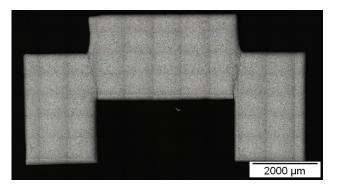
Component



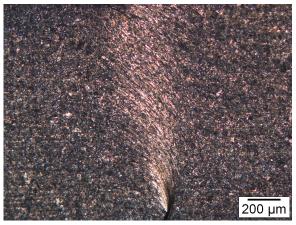


# Influence of heat-treatment on 4340 steel failure behavior – forced localization

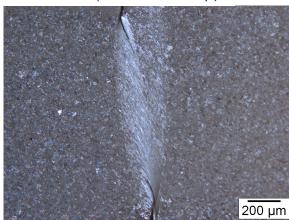
#### Tested 'Tophat' geometry



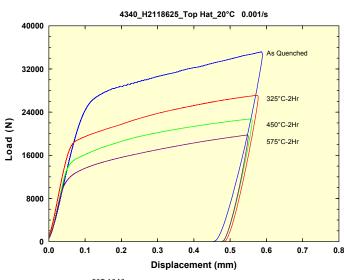
575°C-2hr (0.4777 mm disp)



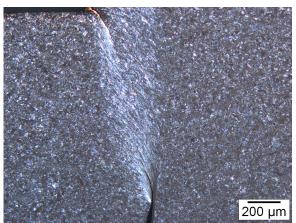
325°C-2hr (0.4953 mm disp)



Measured force and displacements



450°C-2hr (0.4851 mm disp)

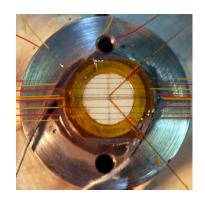


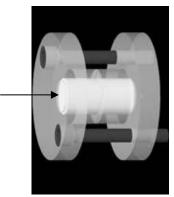
As Quench (0.4648 mm disp)



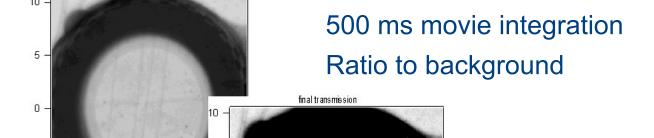


# Monitoring of confined energetic as it approaches cook-off (slow cook-off)





illumination axis

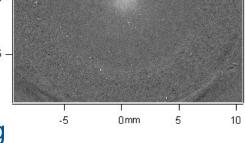


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The damage 'kernal' is different for similar high-HMX formulations

initial transmission

Binder plays a significant role → aging



ratio



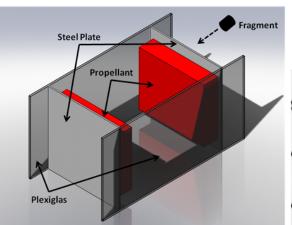
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Fast cook-off using μ-wave heating



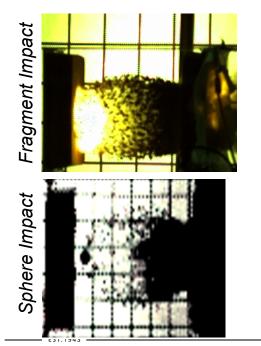
# Army Burn-to-Violent–Reaction Test at 100 shots (ABVR Test)

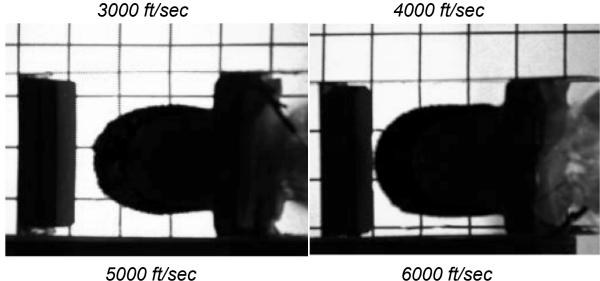
AMRDEC executed about 100 shots



# JOINT US/UK PROJECT AGREEMENT Army Burn-to-Violent Reaction (ABVR) Tests









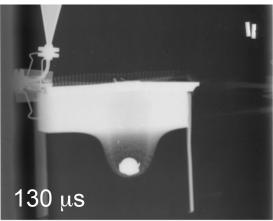
# Inert ABVR impact tests show the fragmentation processes

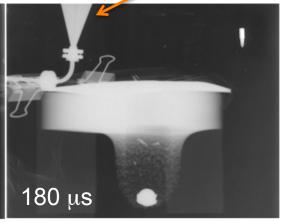
Steel ball impacts on covered mock propellant slabs

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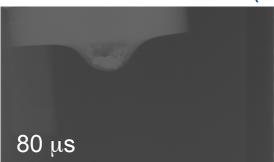
K12-18841 969 m/s (3177 ft/s) 440C sphere HPP mock mm-wave radar horn

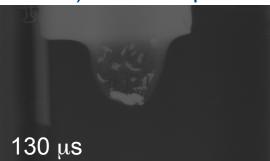






K12-18843 1344 m/s (4408 ft/s) 440C sphere HPP mock









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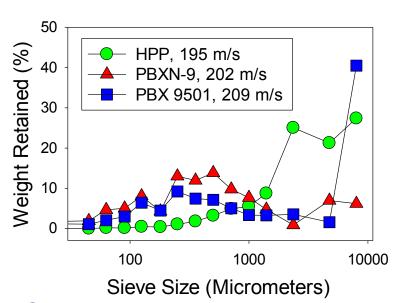
TA-36 Site 12 Crew, WX-3





## **Friability testing of HPP Propellant**

# Completely different failure process due to binder selection.





This has a huge impact on our legacy modeling tools.



